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E.O.11652: GDS
TAGS: EAIR, PFOR PGOV WB GW GE
SUBJECT: INTERFLUG OVERFLIGHTS OF THE FRG

REFS: A) USBERLIN 577 (NOTAL), B) BONN 3752

1. REGARDING OUR RECOMMENDATION IN LAST PARA OF
REF A, WE USED WORD " PATTERN" TO MENA THAT NUMBER OF FRG/
TEGEL FLIGHTS BY LUFTHANSA WOULD IN OUR VIEW ENDANGER THE
BERLIN AIR REGIME TO AN UNACCEPTABLE DEGREE. A FINE
LINE, DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE, HAS TO BEDRAWN BETWEEN
ONE OR TWO LH STOPS ENROUTE TO MOSCOW (TO WHICH WE HAVE
ALREADY AGREED) AS OPPOSED TO THE EVENTUAL POSSIBILITY
OF ADDITIONAL LH SERVICES FROM FRG TO TEGEL, OVERFLIGHT
RIGHTS FOR WHICH MIGHT MIGHT BE FRANTED PIECEMEAL ON A
RECIPROCAL BASIS BY THE GDR. AT SOME POINT A DEVELOPING
PATTERN OF LH FRG/TEGEL FLIGHTS WOULD FUEL THE EVENTUAL

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GDR ARGUMENT THAT THE AIR CORRIDORS HAD OUTLIVED THEIR
USEFULNESS, AT LEAST AS FAR AS THE IGS TRAFFIC IS CON-
CERNED.

2. WE ARE HAPPY TO LEARN THAT WE APPARENTLY JUMPED TO
THE WRONG CONCLUSIONS IN BELIEVING THAT GEHLHOFF'S
REMARK MEANT THAT THE FRG PROPOSAL HAS BEEN MADE TO THE

GDR.

3. AT AN INFORMATION MEETING EVENING OF MARCH 2, MAYOR
LUEDER STRESSED IMPORTANCE
SENAT ATTACHES TO LUFTHANSA SERVICE TO MOSCOW VIA
TEGEL, AND ALSO GAVE SOME INSIGHT INTO GERMAN THINKING
ON LUFTHANSA'S FUTURE ROLE IN BERLIN. LUEDER
SUGGESTED SENAT BUY A PORTION OF LUFTHANSA, MOVE ITS
HEADQUARTERS HERE, AND NEGOTIATE WITH GDR FOR OVER-
FLIGHT RIGHTS TO ADDITIONAL INTERNATIONAL DESTINATIONS.
HANLEY, WHO WAS PRESENT REPRESENTING THREE CAAAS,
MADE DISCOURAGING NOISES ACCORDING TO MISOFF,
HANLEY WILL BE REPORTING TO HIS COLLEAGUES ON
RETURN TO BONN.
GEORGE

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